

**ESSEX ACQUISITION CORPORATION**

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March 14, 2003

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Blanca Bayo  
Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing with the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") are an original and seven (7) copies of Essex Acquisition Corporation's ("EAC") Application for Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Service Between Points within the State of Florida ("IXC Application"). The IXC Application is specifically comprised of the Commission's Application Form and the following additional Exhibits:

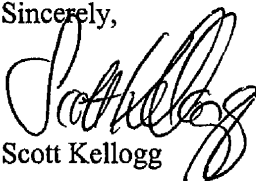
- Exhibit A: Date Stamped Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida**
- Exhibit B: Initial Tariff**
- Exhibit C: Resumes of the Applicant's Employees/Officers**
- Exhibit D: Year to Date Financial Statements**

Please note, Exhibit D contains certain financial information about EAC that is not publicly available and is highly sensitive given the competitive nature of the telecommunications marketplace. Release of this financial information to the public could provide competitors of EAC with detailed information that could be used to develop strategies that could cause substantial injury to EAC. Accordingly, EAC respectfully requests that the Commission permit disclosure of such information for use only by persons specifically authorized by the Commission for purposes of evaluating the IXC Application. Based on conversations with Commission staff, it is EAC's understanding that EAC does not need to take any further action beyond this request to secure confidential treatment of this information.

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Also enclosed are seven copies of this letter and a check in the amount of \$250.00 payable to the Florida Public Service Commission. Please stamp one copy of the IXC Application and this transmittal letter "received" and return them to my attention using the pre-addressed mailing label also provided herein.

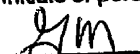
If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 312/674-4657.

Sincerely,  
  
Scott Kellogg

Enclosures

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